Case 06-10725-gwz Doc 1684 Entered 10/27/06 09:47:52 Page 1 of 3 **ELECTRONICALLY FILED** October 27, 2006 SHEA & CARLYON, LTD. STUTMAN, TREISTER & GLATT, P.C. JAMES PATRICK SHEA FRANK A. MEROLA (CA State Bar No. 136934) (Nevada State Bar No. 000405) ÈVE H. KARASIK CANDACE C. CARLYON (Nevada State Bar No. 002666) (CA State Bar No. 155356) SHLOMO S. SHERMAN ANDREW M. PARLEN (CA State Bar No. 230429), (Nevada State Bar No. 009688) 1901 Avenue of the Stars, 12th Floor 228 South Fourth Street, First Floor Los Angeles, California 90067 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 Telephone: (702) 471-7432 Telephone: (310) 228-5600 Facsimile: (310) 228-5788 Facsimile: (702) 471-7435 jshea@sheacarlyon.com fmerola@stutman.com Email: Email: ekarasik@stutman.com ccarlyon@sheacarlyon.com aparlen@stutman.com ssherman@sheacarlyon.com Counsel for the Official Committee Of Equity Security Holders Of USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 10 DISTRICT OF NEVADA In re: BK-S-06-10725-LBR 11 USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, Chapter 11 Debtor. 12 BK-S-06-10726-LBR In re: USA CAPITAL REALTY ADVISORS, LLC, Chapter 11 13 Debtor. BK-S-06-10727-LBR 14 In re: USA CAPITAL DIVERSIFIED TRUST DEED FUND, LLC, Chapter 11 15 Debtor. BK-S-06-10728-LBR In re: 16 Chapter 11 USA CAPITAL FIRST TRUST DEED FUND, LLC, Debtor. 17 BK-S-06-10729-LBR USA SECURITIES, LLC, Chapter 11 18 Debtor. Affects 19 Date: October 30, 2006 ✓ All Debtors 20 Time: 9:30 a.m. USA Commercial Mortgage Co. 21 USA Securities, LLC USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC 22 USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed USA First Trust Deed Fund, LLC 23 DECLARATION OF MATTHEW KVARDA IN SUPPORT OPPOSITION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF EQUITY SECURITY HOLDERS OF USA CAPITAL FIRST TRUST DEED 24 FUND, LLC TO UNITED STATES TRUSTEE'S MOTION TO CONVERT CASES TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER CHAPTER 7 (AFFECTS ALL DEBTORS) 25 26 27 28 404606v1

I, Matthew Kvarda, declare as follows:

- I am a director of Alvarez & Marsal, LLC, financial and real estate advisors
 to the Official Committee of Equity Security Holders of USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC
 (the "FTDF Committee").
- 2. The following facts are personally known to me and/or based on my personal observations. If called to testify thereto, I could and would do so, under oath.
- 3. In connection with the above-captioned cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"), I and the members of the engagement team have worked closely with the members of the FTDF Committee and its other professionals regarding the development of a workable exit strategy which maximized the potential return to investors in USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC (the "FTDF").
- 4. The four official committees appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases (the "Committees") have spent nearly three months negotiating a term sheet outlining the terms of a chapter 11 plan (the "Joint Plan Term Sheet"). The Joint Plan Term Sheet represents a consensual resolution of myriad intercompany claims and disputes. The Committees are on the verge of reaching a final agreement, with only a handful of issues left to resolve, that will result in a joint plan of reorganization that will maximize value for all of the Debtors, their estates, and those parties who have directly lent funds to borrowers through USACM (the "Direct Lenders").
- 5. The Debtors and the Committees have made substantial progress in negotiating the sale of certain assets (the "Property") set forth in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated October 19, 2006 between the Debtors and SPCP, Group, LLC ("Silver Point"). The sale process is now moving into its crucial final stage, in which potential bidders will be determining if and how much they will be bidding for the Property. To convert the Chapter 11 Cases to chapter 7 at this time would irrevocably damage the sale process. Not only would bidding be chilled, but Silver Point's stalking horse bid may also be jeopardized.
- 6. Conversion of the Chapter 11 Cases to chapter 7 would be highly disruptive to the sale of the Property. Any substantial delay of the auction of the Property, such as the delay conversion would cause, will severely chill the bidding process. Additionally, liquidating the

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1	Debtors' assets in a piecemeal fashion, as is likely to occur in chapter 7, will make it much more
2	difficult for potential purchasers to capitalize on the synergies that exist in purchasing the Property
3	in one package.
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5	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is/true and correct,
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8	MATTHEW KVARDA
9	Alvarez & Marsal, LLC
10	Financial and real estate advisor to the Official Committee of Equity Security Holders of USA
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